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In re application of:

Sterling D. Du, et al.

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For: SMART CARD SECURITY INFORMATION CONFIGURATION AND RECOVERY  
SYSTEM

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DISCLOSURE OF RELATED APPLICATION(S) AND  
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Sir:

Applicant(s) would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that the following  
application,

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referred to as the "related application", contains subject matter that is related to the subject matter of the present application. The related application may contain one or more claims that are substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, and those claims may have been rejected in the related application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history of the related application as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

The Examiner is also hereby notified that for the following related application(s) an Office Action has been received as indicated below:

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The related application(s) contain(s) one or more claims that may be substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, those claims may have been rejected in the related application(s), and a different interpretation may have been applied to one or more of the references that are of record in the present application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history(ies) of the related application(s) as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

Throughout the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees, including any required extension of time fees, and credit all overpayments to deposit account 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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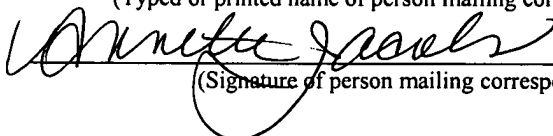
  
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